

## EDITORIAL COMMENT.

The 115th grand lodge of Kentucky Masons is now in session in Louisville this week.

After sixteen years of absence from the stage Julia Arthur will again take up her profession.

The Court of Appeals yesterday reversed the case of Ernest Wilson and Hubert Chaffin, convicted of the murder of Jno. M. Renshaw.

Ten Mexicans were executed Tuesday by parties searching for bandits who wrecked a train near Brownsville.

Gov. McCreary and Senator Beckham in speech at different points in Kentucky Monday espoused the Democratic State ticket.

Miss Ann Lee Samuel, of Frankfort, is the first woman game warden in the State of Kentucky. She is an employee in the office of the Game and Fish Commission.

Contracts for six submarine destroyers, to cost \$4,925,000, were awarded by the Navy Department, and go on record as the biggest step of the kind in the history of the country.

Orie Jacobs, the motorman on the street car which killed Eldridge Griffith, a State University student, last Friday, was permitted to go free, the charge of manslaughter against him being dismissed.

## NEW COMMANDER AT DARDANELLES

Hamilton Succeeded By Monro  
—Berlin Hears Rumor of Abandonment.

London, Oct. 20.—Maj.-Gen. Chas. Carmichael Monro has been appointed to command the Dardanelles expedition, in succession to Gen. Sir Ian Hamilton, who is returning to England to make a report. This announcement is made by the war office. Pending Gen. Monro's arrival at Gallipoli, Maj.-Gen. Wm. Riddel Birdwood will command the troops. That all has not been going well with the expeditionary forces sent to the Gallipoli peninsula to open the way to Constantinople has been indicated not only by the official reports, but by intimation in high quarters in London. A few days ago in the British parliament Viscount Milner suggested withdrawal of the troops from Gallipoli and their transfer to some other war theatre.

In reply Lord Lansdowne said it was impossible for any member of the government to give an undertaking that the troops would be continued in the Dardanelles or withdrawn from them.

Gen. Sir Ian Hamilton, who has had command of the British troops from the time of their first landing in April, has, in his reports to the war office, chronicled heavy losses to his forces, with comparatively small gains. The result of this has been to arouse discussion as to whether the operations in the Dardanelles were progressing in a way to warrant their continuation.

## CAUGHT EIGHT

Dennis Trap Bids Fair To Exterminate Rats.

The Automatic Trap Co. has arranged for the manufacture of their all-purpose traps in this city. The trap is made of wire and was invented by Dr. D. D. Dennis. It will catch anything from an English sparrow to rats, weasels and other animals. One of the traps set in a grocery Tuesday night caught 8 big rats and Geo. W. Metcalfe, who is interested with Dr. Dennis in the company, was showing them yesterday. The trap certainly does all that is claimed for it.

## MR. HOLLAND WITHDRAWS

Unwilling to Make an Active Fight, as Would be Necessary.

IS NOT AN OFFICE SEEKER

He Leaves With No Ill Feelings Towards Any Other Candidate.

In a card addressed to the voters of Hopkinsville Mr. R. H. Holland, one of the nominees for City Commissioners, Tuesday withdrew from the contest, giving his reasons. His card is herewith published:

### A CARD.

To The Voters of Hopkinsville: During the latter part of August a number of my friends voluntarily circulated a petition requesting me to become a candidate at the primary election to be held on October 16, 1915, for City Commissioners.

This petition was signed by several hundred names, pledging their support if I consented to make the race for the nomination.

I had repeatedly told my friends prior to that time that I would not make the race and that I did not care to get into politics and realizing the great responsibility resting upon the person chosen to fill the office, I hesitated to accede to their requests, but after so many of my friends had petitioned me to make the race, I yielded my own pleasure and preference in the matter and consented to do so; having been promised that it would not be necessary for me to enter into an active campaign for the office.

Since having been nominated for this office, I now find that in order to be elected to same, that it will be necessary for me to make a very active campaign personally and as my many friends know that such a campaign would be very distasteful to me and not seeking the office personally, and having at no time any other motive than to serve my city to the best of my ability, the emoluments of office having no attractions for me, I have made up my mind rather than to go into the contest that will be necessary, to be chosen as one of the Commissioners, to withdraw from the race.

I take this opportunity of thanking most cordially my many friends who supported me in the primary and can assure them that same is duly appreciated.

It was a friendly contest and I withdraw without any ill feeling or malice toward anyone and stand ready to support the successful candidates in any way that I can for the uplift, betterment and improvement of our little city.

Yours respectfully,

R. H. HOLLAND.

## THE SALEM REVIVAL

Interesting Meeting Is Now In Progress In South Christian.

The revival at Salem Baptist church began Monday with the pastor, Rev. E. L. Edens, assisted by Rev. M. D. Austin, of Dyersburg, Tenn. Rev. Mr. Edens is a young minister who became pastor of the church a few months ago, and is not only an exceptionally good preacher but is very popular with the church membership. His young wife is also a valuable assistant in her husband's church work. Dr. Austin, who is assisting in the present revival, comes highly endorsed as an earnest, forceful preacher, and the meeting is already arousing a deep interest. Services are held morning and evening.

Louisville, the giant Russian drum-major of the Imperial guards, was 8 feet 5 inches high.

## SEED CORN SELECTING

Demonstrations Being Given This Week By Agent Casey.

AT FOUR DIFFERENT POINTS

At Edgote Today and at Church Hill Tomorrow.

County Agriculturist Casey is holding demonstrations this week for the purpose of selecting seed corn for the farmers.

Tuesday the first was held at the farm of Jas. J. Robertson on the Clarksville pike.

Yesterday there was another in a field adjacent to Wheatland Grange. Mr. Casey will select seed corn from the fields and will give detailed explanations of the methods by which fertile and productive types may be known. He says it is possible to greatly increase the yield by a little attention to this matter.

### Tuesday's Demonstration

County Agriculturist Casey's lecture and demonstration of "Selection of Seed Corn" from the standing stalk in the field at the farm of Mr. J. J. Robertson on the Clarksville Pike on Tuesday the 19th was largely attended, farmers attending from miles around; business men and bankers were also well represented. In his talk Mr. Casey said that corn might be improved faster than any other plant or animal, and will degenerate faster than any other plant or animal; there being greater variation in corn than other plants allows more latitude for selection and breeding. One year's care in selection will increase yield from 5 to 10 per cent, and more according to the efficiency of grower.

Mr. Casey says that allowing 50,000 acres of corn for Christian county the yield can be increased 500,000 bushels in two years by the proper selection of seed corn. Estimating the value at 75c per bushel it would mean a net increase in revenue to the farmers of Christian County of \$375,000.00 per year. In addition to this estimated value, we can add the increased income from the sale of seed corn, which can be estimated at 25 per cent, making a total net increase of \$450,000.00 to the revenue of Christian County farmers from better corn culture.

Christian county should step in right now, and make a reputation for having good seed corn for sale and to take a step toward getting the trade balance in her favor.

There is a great field for this phase of farm management.

Demonstration was made at Wheatland Grange Wednesday and there will be another at the farm of Mr. C. W. Garrett on Thursday at 1:30 p. m. (Previously announced for same date at the farm of Mr. J. A. McKenzie.) and Friday at Churchill Grange at 12:30 p. m. The Grange Meeting at Church Hill will be held in the morning, dinner will be served, and a good time is in store. You are invited.

## MR. SCHMITT'S WILL PROBATED

All Property Bequeathed to Niece, Miss Frances Bachman.

The will of the late Ferd Schmitt was probated in County Court Monday. To his niece, Miss Frances Bachman, he bequeathed all his personal property and real estate to hold and make such use of it as she sees proper. He appointed Bailey Russell administrator or executor of the estate, no bond to be required and no inventory to be taken. The instrument is dated September 8, 1915, and was witnessed by Walter Drake and Cyrus Greenfield.

## BIG DRIVE OF DEMOCRATS

State Campaign Committee Puts in Final Licks, Gossip From Louisville.

SPECIAL TRAIN NEXT WEEK

Will Visit Hopkinsville October Twenty-Eighth at 5 O'clock.

Louisville, Ky., Oct. 20.—For nearly a year observers of the European war have been waiting for the promised "big drive" that would win for one side or the other and bring the great struggle to an end. That drive has not come. But there is a drive just started in Kentucky which, if copied and carried out by either of the contending forces in Europe will end in victory. That is the drive that the Democratic campaign managers in Louisville have started to shove across the goal line on November



A. O. STANLEY.

2nd Augustus Owsley Stanley and the rest of the Democratic ticket. In the language of the boys who use slang, it is "some drive" and before it is over the Democratic path will be fairly strewn with Republican corpses.

The Democratic plan of campaign includes hurling at the enemy continuously until the eve of election all the heavy oratorical artillery it possesses. The big Krupp 45 centimeter guns now in action are A. O. Stanley himself, rated as one of the greatest vote getters on the stump Kentucky has ever known. Hon. Harry V. McChesney, who is "going down the line" for the ticket; Senator Ollie M. James, Senator J. C. W. Beckham; Governor McCreary all the candidates on the state ticket and many others. They will keep up an incessant bombardment on the fortifications of the enemy.

At the same time the field artillery, the shrapnel guns and the rifles are also at work. Major General Hager, through his field officers, the county campaign chairmen, is marshaling his cavalry and infantry. They are all in camp, every man counted and prepared. On November 2nd they will rush on the polls in one gigantic charge, covering the whole state and on the morning of November 3rd, they will count the dead and wounded Republicans and go back to their homes to rest for another year.

Gen. Hager has sent word down the line that every Kentucky Democrat must do his duty. Every man must be at his post on election day. No excuse for staying at home will be accepted. The crops are all in. The shooting season does not begin until Nov. 15. If it rains—well, it rains alike on the just and unjust. A wet skin never hurt a healthy man. This is the feeling of the campaign managers. They want General Overconfidence and General Apathy, the two commanders the Republicans are counting on most, to be ground into the earth by the individual Demo-

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## DISAPPEARS WITH GIRL

E. W. Smeedey, Supervisor In The Kress Store, Left Tuesday.

WIFE RETURNS TO BUFFALO

Smeedey Left In Auto With a Young Woman For Crofton.

E. W. Smeedey, a traveling supervisor of the Kress stores, who had been here since last May, left Tuesday afternoon in an automobile for Crofton, where it is said he took a train for Evansville. He was accompanied by a young lady. Smeedey with his wife boarded at Mr. Eugene Wood's, on South Main, and Mrs. Smeedey received a message from her husband saying his life had been threatened and it was necessary for him to leave at once and for her to return to her home at Buffalo, N. Y. Mrs. Smeedey left yesterday morning for Buffalo.

## REVIVAL AT 2ND CHURCH

Rev. M. E. Miller, of Knoxville, Assisting Rev. W. R. Goodman.

Rev. M. E. Miller, pastor of the South Knoxville church, Knoxville, Tenn., on Monday evening began a revival meeting at the Second Baptist church, assisting the pastor, Rev. W. R. Goodman. Mr. Miller stands high in a city that has in and near it 26 Baptist churches. His church is near that of Dr. Len G. Broughton and is often crowded to the doors, so popular is the young preacher. The meeting here is already awakening deep interest and large crowds are attending each service.

Services are held daily, at 3 p. m. and 7:30 p. m. All are invited.

## REVIVAL SPIRIT DEEPENS AND SPREADS

Great audiences crowd the Christian church nightly to participate in the revival now in progress there. Sixty-one people had united with the church up to the time this report was received. Only one service in which no one made confession of faith. There were many baptisms of men and boys Tuesday night and of women and girls last night. The singing of the two great choruses—the senior and the junior choirs—is attracting much attention. Mr. Harding is a master of choir work, and his special solo work and duet work with Mrs. Harding are enthusiastically received. Mr. Harding will sing tonight, "Jesus, Blessed Jesus." Pastor-Evangelist Jessup will preach tonight on "The conversion of a state officer." During the week shop meetings have been held at the Mogul Wagon Plant and at the Forbe's Mill. Mr. and Mrs. Harding and Mr. Jessup have held a number of chapel services in the schools.

## SALE OF 130 HOGSHEADS

Redried Leaf Tobacco at \$10.25 Round.

After a period of dullness in tobacco circles, E. M. Flack & Co. have just bought 130 hogsheads of tobacco at \$10.25 round. It was bought from the American Snuff Co. on orders from abroad.

This is the largest sale that has been made here for several months. It was an excellent lot of redried tobacco.

The British army dates, as standing force, from the restoration of Charles II in 1660.

## DIFFERENCES ARE GROWING SERIOUS

England's Cabinet Facing Disruption and Premier is Taken Ill.

TEUTONS CLAIMING PROGRESS

Allied Armies Not Weakened in Dardanelles—Gen. Monro to Take Command.

London, Oct. 20.—So far as the Dardanelles and the Balkans are concerned, a good deal of pessimism which reigned a week ago, has disappeared. It is believed that instead of any idea existing of abandoning the attempt to open the straits and sea route to Constantinople, the appointment of Gen. Monro means a more strenuous effort, and that when the right moment comes, the Italian navy, if not Italian troops, will cooperate.

It is known that the forces on Gallipoli have not been weakened for the Balkan campaign, and while the task is difficult the British public is confident that it will ultimately be accomplished.

In the Balkans the Austro-Germans and Bulgarian armies continue to claim progress against the Serbians, but, except in the north, where the Serbs are being forced back into the mountains, the various reports do not go far toward clarifying the situation.

The Bulgarians have cut the railway between Uskup and Nish, so it is likely that, except in the extreme south, where French troops landed at Salonki, the Serbs are falling back to stronger natural positions. Istip and Kotehana, it is said, have been evacuated.

Italy, which singularly enough, is still technically at peace with Germany, has declared war on Bulgaria, and Russia is expected to follow her example almost immediately. When this formality is completed, it is possible the action Italy and Russia intend to take in the Balkans will be defined.

The allies also have made a new diplomatic move with respect to Greece, the British and Russian ministers having delivered a note to Athens explaining that the allies do not agree with the Greek government's interpretation of the Greco-Serbian treaty, and notifying Premier Zaimis of their intention to land more troops at Salonki. It is not expected, however, that anything but allied success will have any influence with Greece, or, for that matter, with Rumania. Russia is trying for this in Galicia and Volhynia, where General Ivanoff has won several local victories and is keeping the Austro-Germans busy.

Otherwise interest in the eastern front centers in the north, where the Germans continue to attack south of Riga, and the Russians to the south and west of Dvinsk. Both sides claim gains.

The Germans are being hampered by British submarines in the Baltic, for, besides sinking a large number of steamers engaged in the ore trade between Germany and Sweden, the submarines are interfering with transports between German ports and the Courland coast.

Comparative quiet prevails in the west.

Premier Asquith is ill and a Cabinet crisis is near.

## SUPPLEMENTAL REGISTRATION.

Monday, Tuesday and Wednesday of next week, Oct. 25, 26 and 27 will be supplementary registration days at County Clerk Harris' office and all legal voters who had a good excuse for not registering Oct. 5, may make affidavit and get their names on the book. There are not many such, but it is the last chance for any who want to qualify as voters.